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In re Application of:

J. Lipari et al.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 CFR 1.114)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request continued examination, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114, for the above-identified application.

This request is being submitted prior to abandonment of the application and prior to payment of the issue fee.

Enclosed herewith is an Amendment.

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The fee of \$740.00 is enclosed. Should additional fees be required in connection with this matter, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0785.

Respectfully submitted,

WOOD, PHILLIPS, KATZ, CLARK & MORTIMER

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Group Art Unit: 1615

) Examiner: G. Kishore

AMENDMENT

BOX NON-FEE Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C., 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (twice amended) A composition consisting essentially of a fibrate dissolved in at least

one structured lipid.

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